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In re Application of:  
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For: WEB HAVING DISCRETE STEM REGIONS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification:

On Page 1, insert before the first line the following paragraph:

Cross Reference to Related Applications

This application is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 09/257,447 , filed on  
February 25, 1999.

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (amended) A web of material having at least two major sides, the web comprising:  
a plurality of discrete regions selected from patches and cross-web stripes, on at least  
a first major side of the web; and  
a plurality of stems extending from said discrete regions;  
wherein:  
i) the web is made of a material selected from woven, nonwoven, and knit web  
material; paper; and microporous membranes; and  
ii) the plurality of stems are fused to at least the first major side of the web by being  
melt entangled with the web.